

RULE NO.: R161-13.17

POSTING DATE: July 3, 2013

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE

The Director of Watershed Protection Department proposes to adopt the following rule after August 4, 2013.

Comments on the proposed rule are requested from the public. Comments should be submitted to Dana McGehee, 505 Barton Springs Road, Suite 1200, Austin Texas, 78704, 974-2634, or via email at dana.mcgehee@austintexas.gov. To be considered, comments must be submitted before August 4, 2013, the 32nd day after the date this notice is posted. A summary of the written comments received will be included in the notice of rule adoption that must be posted for the rule to become effective.

An affordability impact statement regarding the proposed rule has been obtained and is available for inspection or copying at the address noted in the preceding paragraph

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROPOSED RULE

A rule proposed in this notice may not become effective before the effective date established by a separate notice of rule adoption. A notice of rule adoption may not be posted before August 4, 2013 (the 32nd day after the date of this notice) or not after October 1, 2013 (the 90th day after the date of this notice).

If a proposed rule is not adopted on or before October 1, 2013, it is automatically withdrawn and cannot be adopted without first posting a new notice of a proposed rule.

TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE

A copy of the complete text of the proposed rule is available for public inspection and copying at the following locations. Copies may be purchased at the locations at a cost of ten cents per page:

Watershed Protection Department, located at 505 Barton Springs Road, Suite 1200, Austin, TX, 78704; and

Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas.

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED RULE

R161-13.17: Proposes the following changes to the Standards Criteria Manual:

- **Item No. 510 Pipe**
 - 510.2 Materials, (6) Select Backfill or Borrow - Adds new requirements for materials
 - 510.2 Materials, (8) Pipe, 4. Joint Materials - Provides better definition of joint materials for storm drain infrastructure
 - 510.2 Materials, (9) Geotextile Filter Fabric for Pipe Bedding Material - Adds Geotextile standard
 - 510.3 Construction Methods, (14) Pipe Bedding Envelope - Redefines the pipe bedding envelope
 - 510.3 Construction Methods, (14) Pipe Bedding Envelope, (c) Requirements to prevent particle migration - Adding requirements 4 and 5 to refine conduit bedding requirements
 - 510.3 Construction Methods, (17) Joints, (c) Storm Drain Joints - Provides specific language to the correct method for installing joints sealant materials and corrective measures if the joints are not constructed per the specification
 - 510.3 Construction Methods, (26) Quality Testing for Installed Pipe - Adding (g) Inspection of Installed Storm Drain Conduits
 - 510.5 Payment, (13) Video Inspection - Added payment for video inspection
- **Item No. 559S**
 - **559S.1 Description** - Adds design load information
 - **559S.2 Submittals** - F. HS-20 loading
 - **559S.10 Construction Methods** - Added video inspection requirements
 - **559S.12 Payment** - Added payment for video inspection

AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTION OF PROPOSED RULE

The authority and procedure for the adoption of a rule to assist in the implementation, administration, or enforcement of a provision of the City Code is established in Chapter 1-2 of the City Code. The authority to regulate water quality control standards is established in Chapter 25-8 of the City Code.

CERTIFICATION BY CITY ATTORNEY

By signing this Notice of Proposed Rule R161-13.17, the City Attorney certifies the City Attorney has reviewed the rule and finds that adoption of the rule is a valid exercise of the Director's administrative authority.

REVIEW AND APPROVED

Victoria J. Li, P.E., Director
Watershed Protection Department

Date: _____

Karen Kennard
City Attorney

Date: _____

This Notice of Proposed Rule was posted on a central bulletin board at City Hall by the City Clerk. Date and time stamp is on the front of the notice.